

**PACIFIC**  
**Commercial Advertiser.**

**Foreign Miscellany.**

Sir Frederick Bruce, the English Minister, is on a short visit at Boston.

According to law in New York profane swearers may be fined \$1 for every oath, on complaint before a magistrate. A returned soldier was hauled up and fined recently, in one of the interior counties—the first case for many years.

The Court of Hyems has become a popular institution in diverting confiscation of rebel estates. Numerous instances are reported where Southern planters have given all their landed properties in marriage with their daughters to faithful Union soldiers.

Navy Yard, Oct. 12.—The *Times* special says the Secretary of the Treasury has under consideration a project to amend the warehouse system, so as to permit goods to be transferred from the Atlantic cities to the Pacific coast.

An extraordinary case has just been brought to light at Colyton, in the west of England. A man, who is generally looked upon as an eccentric character, has in his possession the unburied corpse of his mother, who died five years ago. When she died he had a leaden coffin made, with glass plate set in. He deposited the coffin in a shed, and from time to time goes there to look upon the face of his mother.

The Governor of Jamaica is severely rebuked in the local papers because he allowed the ex-Queen Emma of the Sandwich Islands to pass through Kingston, on her way to England, without any official recognition. A reply from Queen Victoria to a petition of the Jamaican laborers complaining of their distresses, it is believed, in which they advised that they must depend principally upon their own industry for an improvement of their condition.

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A singular and painful incident occurred recently at the Royal Opera House, Berlin. A new ball by Taglioni, entitled "Sardanapalus," was represented, in the last scene of which all the dancers appeared among themselves around Sardanapalus, who died with him in the flames. To produce the necessary smoke, stones were heated, and water was to be thrown upon them. The stones were laid between the seats, but the dancers, instead of sitting upon the seats, sat down on the burning stones. A scream of pain followed, which was not in the play. Nearly all of them were badly burned.

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The "SHEANDOAH."—The London *Times* has an editorial strongly denouncing the continued wanton and vindictive depredations of the *Sheridan* against the Southern Confederacy. It says that Capt. Wadell is acting on his own responsibility, and unless he can clearly show he has knowledge of what was known to everybody else in the same latitude, he has no claim to mercy.

The editor, in the course of his observations, says:

"There is no such thing as a 'Confederate steamer *Sheandough*' for there is no belligerent Power to claim her, or to be responsible for any enormities that she may perpetrate." Captain Wadell is, to all intents and purposes, his own master, and the absolute master of all the plunder which the *Sheridan* can accumulate. In other words, he is engaged in a private bushwhacking raid, and has thereby made himself the enemy of all civilized nations. He may have good reasons of his own for sparing British merchantmen, but there is no good reason that we can see why he should be spared rather than any other pirate, if he still chance to fall in with a British ship-of-war. It is not his respect for English civilization, but the vigilance of the English Government, that has prevented a gross breach of our laws when the *Sheandough* lay in Australian waters. Justice and policy alike suggest that we should aid the United States in cutting short his lawless career, and putting down outrages so ruinous to commerce and so disgraceful to civilization. We hope that instructions to that effect may be sent to the commander of our squadron in the United States and justified by public opinion in Great Britain. Nothing but such a course could excuse the present condoning and burning of ships on the high seas adopted by the Confederate cruisers during the war. So strong was the feeling against it in this country that many people could never be induced to believe that it was tolerated by international law. As now practiced by Capt. Wadell in flagrant defiance of all law, it can excite nothing but horror, and the circumstance of the *Sheandough* being launched from our own shores after all our efforts to maintain the spirit of the Foreign Enlistment Act, will certainly not win for her any exceptional sympathy."

The Times adds that England has done all that intercolonial law requires in the matter, but suggests that she might, under circumstances, go further, and that the British ships of war should be instructed to treat the *Sheandough* as any other pirate, and assist the United States in stopping her outrages. It trusts that instructions to this effect will be sent to the British commander in the Pacific.

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